

WILL HAWKES ACCEPT A POSITION IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO?  
Miss Cora Hawkes is visiting at Lafayette, Ind., where she is staying with her mother, Mrs. Alice White, who is visiting her son, Mr. Abbott J. Holt, III.

Miss Lillian Clegg, of Decatur, visited the city Saturday last week.

Miss Anna Carlson, who has been in Chicago, is visiting St. Louis.

The State has been ill.

He has been attending business meetings in the past week.

Miss Anna Carlson, visiting Mrs. Lewis and family have moved to the Hotel of Chicago, Ill., is visiting.

Miss Martin is visiting in Chicago, and is staying in the city.

Miss Anna Carlson, of Decatur, visited the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clegg.

The funeral was held at the Christian Church at 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and daughter, Miss Carrie, of Decatur, are visiting Miss Martin and family.

Last Thursday evening Master Dio Hiltz, a representative of his newspaper and contractor, Miss Johnson at his home at 10 o'clock dinner. In his 16th birthday Master Dio received presents among which were some books.

Miss Sue Wells after a visit with her sister, Miss Edna, returned to her home in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark have moved to Decatur.

Miss Sue Wells is quite ill of influenza.

Teaching services will be held at First United Methodist church and conducted by Rev. A. R. Kiser, of the Methodist church.

The Belmont M. W. A. band will give a concert at town hall Wednesday night, Nov. 24, to raise money for band uniforms.

D. R. Avery, of Mattoon, moved his family to Decatur last week.

CERRO GORDO.

Mrs. Charles Prouty, of Chicago, is visiting here.

Donald Cope will move his family to Farther City next week.

Miss Nona Hale, of Decatur, visited Miss Laura Gandy Sunday.

Frank Long is home from East St. Louis.

The band will also a basket social at Leavenworth Friday evening.

J. H. Hammon returned Friday from Carlinville.

Rev. Cope assisted at the dedication of the new M. E. church at Edinburg Sunday.

Sister Foster has appeared in the family of Rev. Dutson and Mrs. Frances.

Miss May Miller has sought for position in the schools to take a place in the Decatur schools. Miss May Miller will succeed Miss Miller here.

John Hartman and a crew of his men are at Illinois working on the new M. E. church.

The school above finished its work in town a week ago.

Upon Sunday, living service at the Christian church Thursday morning, Rev. Alvin will deliver the sermon, Nov. 27.

ELWIN.

Corn does not weigh enough for some farmers. They have loaded tractors and truck with corn, as it has been proved on two occasions by the large corn shellers in the elevator being damaged.

M. A. Connor's store was burglarized Nov. 20, and guess to the amount of nearly \$5000. The burglars went to the elevator and got a plow to make a hole in the door.

The L. C. R. R. has carpenters here building a new hotel and freight house.

Mr. S. Conner & Co. are offering 32 for 2000, 180 for 1000.

HAMMOND.

Carl Miller turned to Blue Mound Monday.

Roy Wortham went to Hot Springs, Ark., last week.

Mrs. C. A. Clark is ill.

Mrs. M. M. Thomas is reported better.

Maurice Broyles visited in Lexington last week.

James Doyle and wife were Decatur visitors Monday.

Rev. Carter went to Arthur Tuesday to begin meeting there.

Nov. 28.

TODD'S POINT.

The claim of Mrs. Belle Boyer of Chicago, against the estate of Miss Jane Albin, whose dress is the first case on the docket at the November term of court in Shreveport, La., Justice Parker decided in favor of the defendant.

Miss Edith Albin and Bertha Jackson, who have been ill are better.

The last fall was a blizzard and frost and the tracks became impassable to the north and south. The snow was so deep that the roads were closed for several weeks.

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A misunderstanding.

They were having a spelling lesson over at a certain district school the other day, and the little scholars were all arranged in front of the teacher, spelling away for dear life trying to see how near they could get to the word.

The word "chimney" was given out to the little black-eyed girl who had been spelling words correctly throughout the morning, but she missed this one by inadvertently leaving out the "h."

Quick as a wisk the little boy next her pointed on the word and spelled it correctly.

"You may go up one, Johnnie," said the teacher.

"I don't want to," whined Johnnie, getting ready to cry. "Mother would whip me if I did, because I'd get all over you!" — Peterson's Weekly.

Lotted.

"I'm looking for a partner, Miss Kittish," remarked Mr. Clingstone.

"You will find a married, do you?"

"No, I'm a silent partner." — Detroit Free Press.

W. H. Ryland, after death, soon reposes in glass coffins.

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## DECATOR HERALD.

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The Decatur Herald has offices in New York at 220 to 234 Temple Court building

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Avenue, in charge.

It is suggested that it might be well before applying to see Senator Davis to him.

The Wilson law tariff bill has driven New Jersey, Indiana, Maryland and Ohio, next out of the Democratic column.

James K. Jones says the democrats will offer no financial opposition to republicans in legislation. How could they after the late stage up.

Congress adjourned yesterday and it will now meet in order for the democrat to warn the republicans of the people's wrath by naming strong public sentiment against republican policies.

Bryan got 100,000 votes in Texas and more than that number in Colorado and in the entire south he lost 379,000. This is somewhat dangerous to the overliving principle in so frequently mentioned.

One of the most remarkable things about the defeat of Bryan is that the democratic press has ceased its lament about the country, liberty and everything else going to the dogs. You cannot even get a democrat to attend a beer meeting.

The fellow who created the interview which made Cleveland say that there would be a lambeth for Bryan should not be permitted to escape a penalty. It was the most cruel thing of the campaign. It was cruelty to animals.

The reason given by the president of a Missouri republican club for calling it the Stars and Stripes club, when asked by a democrat was: "Mark Hanson can buy more democrats and buy them cheaper than any other man in the country."

Chairman James K. Jones has finally reached a conclusion as to the meaning of the recent election. It is that the people disregarded all questions save to "let well enough alone." Jones, however, would hardly admit that to let "well enough alone" means that the people are satisfied with the present administration.

The imports of sugar at Philadelphia during the month of October eclipsed the record for any corresponding period in the history of the past. More than 50,000 tons of raw sugar have been delivered on the wharves of the sugar refineries since October 1. The arrivals have been nine steamships from Java and the Far East and three full rigged American sailing ships from the Hawaiian Islands. Enough material has been delivered to ensure the running on full time throughout the entire winter of the local refinery.

Kruger's visit to Germany has not met with the same enthusiasm that characterized his visit to France. He will not be received by the emperor nor by the representatives of the state. The Cologne Committee states that Kruger has not complied with the custom which requires that when one sovereign visits another of sojourning through the proper channels before hand whether the visit will be agreeable. That paper alleges that for this reason no official reception was tendered Kruger in Cologne.

## YIELD OF CORN.

According to returns in the American Agriculturist the total yield of corn is 2,184,000,000 bushels, against 2,207,000,000 in 1899, and 1,668,000,000 in 1898. The average yield for the crop of the United States is placed at 25.6 bushels per acre, against 26.4 bushels in 1899, and approximately 22 bushels two years ago. After deducting losses through September gales, the United States crop of apples, according to the same authority, approximates 44,000,000 bushels, against 37,000,000 barrels in 1899, and 69,000,000 barrels in 1900.

## ANOTHER VICTORY FOR HAY.

Cables from Europe yesterday stated that England had secretly been at work arranging treaties with the states along the Pacific and Nicaraguan canal routes with the view of securing some advantages no matter which route should be chosen by the American congress. On the same day, however, Secretary Hay, metaphorically speaking, went down into his vest pocket and produced a treaty he had signed with these states which went to the United States all the concession desired with reference to the construction and maintenance of a ship canal.

Secretary Hay has been able to accomplish this by recognizing the Panama interests, as well as the interests of Nicaragua thus making Columbia and Panama competitors for the privilege

of furnishing the United States a canal route. Thus has Hay secured another diplomatic victory for our country.

## WHAT THE PREDICTIONS OBTAINED.

Prof. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, has made a statement in which he calls attention to the recent decision of the United States court of appeals at Richmond, Va., involving the responsibility of a vessel master for damages by rain in cargo of rice discharged on an unsheltered wharf at Charleston, S. C., when the bureau had predicted rain. He says that, contrary to widely published comment, the decision clearly stated that where the storm warnings are brought to the attention of the vessel master, it is their duty to take cognizance and observe them, though the court said the ordinary predictions of rain, snow and moderate changes of temperature are less reliable than almost anything of which the general public is expected to be interested.

Prof. Moore contends that the decision was a commendation, instead of a condemnation, of storm warnings. The bureau, he says, considers that only one out of every five forecasts of precipitation has failed of verification, while there has not been a destructive marine storm anywhere in the United States to over six years that was not preceded by the danger warnings, or a severe cold wave, of which farmers were not given timely warning.

## CULLOM AND HITT.

The course of Representative Hitt in the senatorial contest is highly creditable to him. His name has been mentioned in connection with the succession to Senator Collier, but recognizing the endorsement of Collier by the state convention to be his own successor and the fact that there is no reason why Senator Collier should be defeated Mr. Hitt proposes that he will not be a candidate unless it shall succeed in the cause. Collier has not enough votes to give him the caucous nomination on the first ballot. This is evidently fair. There is no reason why Senator Collier should not have enough votes to give him the caucus nomination on the first ballot, unless votes that rightfully belong to him are held away by favorite issues. It is this feature that Hitt proposes to avoid. He will then in no way be a party to injuring Collier's chances in order to throw the senatorial fight into the air to satisfy those who seek the senators defeat to satisfy personal malice.

Hitt is one of the strongest men in the Illinois delegation in congress. His reputation is national and his disposition not to injure Collier's chances ought to operate to bring a majority of the members of the legislature to the point of promptly coming out squarely for Collier and in this way assuring the people that Illinois shall have in its congressional delegation Collier, Hitt and Cannon. The state cannot afford to dispense with the services of either one of them.

## MRS. VAN RIVER DEAD.

Former Resident of Decatur Passes Away at Aurora, Missouri.

Friends in Decatur have received word of the death of Mrs. George Van Riper at Aurora, Mo., on November 20. The remains were taken to St. Mary's Ohio, for burial. The deceased was well known in Decatur, having resided here until about ten years ago.

Mrs. Van Riper is survived by her husband and three children, all grown. They are John Van Riper, of Aurora, Mo., Mrs. Emily Kough, of Parma, South Dakota, and another married daughter living in St. Louis, Mo.

Many persons have had the experience of Mr. Peter Sherman of North Stratford, N. H., who says: "For years I suffered torture from chronic inflammation but Radysol Ointment made a well man of me."

It cures what you eat and in certain cases for dyspepsia and every form of abdominal trouble. It gives relief at once even in the worst cases, and can't help, but do you good. J. E. King, N. E. Krone, Decatur Drug Co.

## Deeds Recorded.

W. G. Bachman to Hannah Schenck, lot 11 in block 11 in Carter's addition, to Argent, \$2000.

Lulu B. Mutton to Eli and Billie Lutz, the east half of lots 1 and 3 and lots 3 and 8 and two rods off of the north end of lot 8 in block A, village of Oakley, \$100.

Hannah Schenck to W. G. Bachman, 15 in Crawford and Cornishville's addition to Decatur, \$2000.

Harry Kerr to Frank L. Gray, lot 7 in block 2 in Morehouse's addition to Argent, \$170.

Frank L. Gray to Peter J. Costello, lot 10 block 3 in Merchant's addition to Argent.

Mally Decker to A. B. Troxell the south half of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 21, township 17, range 3 east, \$1000.

Dom Paul is on a wrong seat. He has gone to College.

A brilliant and perverted mind ceased to work when Oscar Wilde died.

LIVERITA the up-to-date Little Liver Pill 50 boxes contain 10 pills, 100 boxes contain 40 pills, 200 boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King and A. J. Blaine, Decatur, Ill.

Sold by druggists 75c.

Hull's Family Pills the best.

## CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

There is more asthma in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years we supposed it to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven asthma to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Castoria cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney &amp; Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address Frank Cheney &amp; Co., Toledo, O.

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The only art store for pictures, frames and building in McElroy's, 3rd door, South of postoffice, Decatur, Ill.

For family use in numberless ways, Ballard's Snow Liniment is a powerful and valuable remedy. Price 25 and 50 cents John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

MT. ZION,

Miss Gladie Smith who is attending school at Champaign this winter, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith.

Dean McGoughay, who is attending school at Lincoln, Ill., spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McGoughay.

John Bellows is visiting with his aunt, Mrs. G. O. Boyce.

J. W. Davis will be the next sexton at the C. P. church.

Joseph Blair is very sick.

John Hale has a fine team of black horses that he has just traded for. John is a fine boy with a team.

Mrs. Thomas Biley, of Mt. Zion, is in Decatur visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Jeanie Walker.

H. A. Walker did business in Mt. Zion last week.

J. A. Rooney, of Decatur, was a Mt. Zion visitor last week.

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## OISCU.

Mrs. S. H. Doty of Decatur visited here last week.

E. S. Jones' sister from Michigan and also his mother is visiting him for a few days.

Rev. W. D. Best began revival services at the M. E. church Sunday night.

Dr. Olshan of Chicago gave a very interesting lecture at the M. E. church Friday evening.

Scott McFaulds is ill with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Carl and Alice Leile Wellapp of Champaign high school spent Thanksgiving at home.

Doctor's visit Friday were Delbert Shumway, R. S. Wellapp, Carl and Edward Wellapp.

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## LONG CREEK.

Those who came home from Normal to spend Thanksgiving were Misses Eva Marie and Ethel Corman and Henry Davis.

The basket supper at the school building on last Friday evening was well attended. A short program was rendered by the pupils before supper.

Mr. Patterson of October made several professional visits to our town last week.

Those who are on the sick list are Mrs. O'Gwynne, Mrs. Boller and Miss Bertha Merlin.

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The charge that Bob is too much of a humanitarian for the work in South Africa is not the least discreditable to the little fighting man of Kimberley.

## OAT COUNTRY.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

Mr. Closter has gone to Wantage to complete about his tax assessment. He hopes they won't take too much at Wantage of him.

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There will not be so much prosperity in the country when Bernhardt comes in.

Taber's Duckey's Oatmeal has been thoroughly tested for many years, and is a positive cure for this most distressing and embarrassing of troubles. Price, 20 cents in bottles, 10 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

In order to frighten her husband into staying home nights, a Cleveland woman ganged and bound herself and pretended burglar had done it. Most fly-by-night bachelors get an unexpected reception when they finally put into port.

Praise the bridge that carries you over either a flood or a drought. Ballard's Bore-hound Syrup has brought so many over floods and long troughs, such as coulees, culs, bronchitis, etc., that its praises are sung everywhere. Price, 25 and 50 cents.

Bob Burdette, who is living quietly in London, writes that his old English hotel will be a year old and renamed to the floor. He intends to mount it on rollers or a window curtain.

Monticello, Sackrider hotel, Mon., Dec. 21.

Decatur, Bruns-wick Hotel, Tues., Dec. 23.

Taylorville, Antlers Hotel, Wed., Dec. 24.

Clinton, McGill House, Dec. 27.

DR. ARTHUR names and locates diseases and weaknesses without asking questions, and will guarantee a cure or NO PAY in all curable cases.

Symptomatology—Chronic Diseases of the Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidneys, Intestines, Catarrh and associate diseases, Sexual Weakness, Varicose, Emulsions, Atrophy, Physical Decline, and all Wasting Nervous Troubles of Men.

It is impossible to call, write for testimonials, question blank, etc., to

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Four Systems, viz.: Osteopathy, Medicine, Baths and Electricity.



## FALSE HOPES

There are drugs which will quiet pain. They deaden and blunt, but they do not cure. After the drug wears off, the suffering is twice as bad. Many kidney medicines that are on the market contain deadly drugs. They relieve temporarily. KID-NE-OIDS is not like that. It is composed of absolutely pure ingredients, every one of which is good for the kidney. That's the reason why it cures where so many others fail. It does not try to gloss over the cause of the pain. MORROW'S

## KID-NE-OIDS

contains no minerals in any form—no dangerous stimulants—it will not upset invalids or children. It is Mr. G. Hank Mall Messenger says: "I have been troubled for some time with my kidneys and pain in my back; scalding and frequent urination, dizziness, dropsy, and all diseases springing from weak kidneys, goo, at the druggists. Enough for about two weeks treatment. Daily yellow tablets, the most scientific form of compounding medicine.

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Four Full Quarts Of An Absolutely Pure Whiskey For

**\$3.00**

Packed in Scaled Boxes With no Mark Indicate Content Shipped by Express Freight to any Point

This Whiskey is By the Distillers Of which we Agents, It is one Of the Oldest Brands Of Whiskey Known as

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The Belle of Made in Nelson

For making a Th Egg-nogg, or a Punch, a really good should be used. In the Belle of Kentucky's finest whiskey for recipe for egg-noggs, Christmas Hot Slings and all drinks for which Decatur is noted

Four Full Quarts of whiskey will be approved. Send \$3.00 money order or telegraphic draft. If Not Satisfied, Return Three Quarts, Make money order to P. O. Merchant St., Decatur

References—Mills Bank, Adams, Ex-American Express Co.

## CENTRAL SCHOOL

An Idea That Will Eventually Do Away With the Little Red School House

### ON EVERY COUNTRY HILL TOP

Pupils Gathered Up and Returned in Wagons Designed for That Purpose—Lost Is Not Great.

### SEPT. 1. G. KELLER ENDORSES IT

Centralized country schools are now using the attention of educators, especially those connected with the education of the children in the rural districts. The plan finds immediate favor. It has been tried in northeastern Ohio and has proved to be entirely feasible and successful. Recently State Superintendent Haynes, County Superintendent Kern of Winnebago county, and others paid a visit to that section of Ohio where the centralized schools have been established and returned to Illinois deeply impressed with the advantages of the plan.

County Superintendent Koller is in receipt of papers from Rockford giving the result of Mr. Kern's investigation. In Ohio the plan is made feasible by the fact that the state has excellent roads. This however, is not absolutely essential. The establishment of schools of this character means that good roads must come in Illinois. The idea is to go away with the numerous country schools in each township, and one modern building in a central portion of the township and secure the attendance of all the children of the township at this school. This is done by the employment of wagons designed for carrying the children. The wagons are built on the lines of a light bus and are so arranged as to protect the little folks from inclement weather. Every morning these wagons traverse a certain route, gathering up the pupils and bringing them to the central school prior to the hour for the school session. When the school is over the children are returned to their homes. At first glance this might seem an expensive plan but investigation shows that it is not. At the central school in Green township, Trumbull county, Ohio, also wagons are used at an average expense of \$1.00 per day. The contract is let to the lowest bidder but extreme care is exercised in the selection of the driver, who is under bond. The wagons are provided with curtains, lanterns and sometimes for cold weather, fenders and sometimes for cold weather. The longest distance traveled is four and three quarter miles. There is no tramping through the mud for the children, no danger of exposure to the elements, no opportunity for conversation with the viciously inclined and no terrorizing of the little ones by some overgrown bully. Some of these central schools are of stone and the others of brick. They are built in modern style and the cost varies according to the needs of the taxpayers of the township. The school rooms are as well equipped as in the city, more perfect arrangement is secured and the ventilation is as good as in the best of buildings.

John H. Koller of Shingletown got six bids. The entire lot ranged in price from \$10 to \$150. The total proceeds of the sale was over \$1000 and the result was satisfactory to the managers although they contend that some of the stock did not bring what it was worth. While the animals were brought from Nebraska they were not unbroken range horses, but were just as well bred as any of the horses raised in this market.

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The horse sale conducted by Reid & Watt at the Court House Saturday afternoon, was one of the best attended and most satisfactory sales conducted in this county in a long time. The stock sold was all top notch quality and brought fair prices. The bidding was fast and fifty-eights head of horses were sold.

Some of the animals were standard breeding stock and the others were good work and brood stock.

It was of class as well as the fenders and many took advantage of the opportunity to get hold of good horses.

There were half a dozen horse buyers in the crowd and some of them snapped up some of the best horses.

Byrd Davis got several fine yearling horses.

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### HUNTING TROUBLE.

False Alarms Were Fired at From Two Boxes Saturday Night.

Last night the fire department received a call from a box at the intersection of Wood and College streets. When the men arrived there with their apparatus there was no need for their services. Some one had "piped the box" for the fun of seeing the excitement.

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At 10:30 a second alarm from a box caused the crews to make a run for nothing. This time the alarm came from box 45 at the corner of Wood and Broadway. The crew made a quick run only to find that some one had been playing again.

The frequency with which the fire alarms are being timed with has caused two officers to be assigned to learn who was doing the mischief. It is a difficult matter however to catch the joker for it takes but a second to turn on an alarm and it can be done so noiselessly that it does not attract the attention of any one in the vicinity.

After the second false alarm Chief C. W. Lurke of the fire department did a little detective work and gave the police a tip which resulted in Officers Miller and Imboden arresting George Berry aged 14 of 703 East Wood street, and Will Rice aged 11 of 23 West Wood street. The boys confessed that they had not pulled both boxes last night but that on another occasion they had pulled the box at Wood and College streets. The youngsters had just arrived home after turning in the second alarm when arrested. Rice volunteered the information that what he would get if he availed himself would be plenty. They were locked up for the night.

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### MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

Weather Observer's Report—Some Other Figures for the Month.

November was a rainy month. The total precipitation was 3.48 inches. The highest temperature of the month was 73 degrees, the lowest was 14 degrees. The average temperature for the month was 41.6 degrees.

The following table shows a comparison of the past month and November of several years previous:

Year.	Max. temp.	Min. temp.	Avg. Precip.
1894.....	71	10	37
1895.....	75	9	38.2
1896.....	75	80	42.5
1897.....	71	11	41.1
1898.....	70	0	38.8
1899.....	71	23	41.8
1900.....	73	14	41.8

The total number of arrests was 83. Two isolated persons were cared for and one dead man whose case was investigated making a total of 80 cases handled by the police.

The death rate for the month was a little higher than usual. There were 31 deaths and one body was brought here for burial.

The causes of death were as follows: Pneumonia, 4 cases; 2 accidents; 2 consumption; 3 old age; 3 heart disease; Bright's disease; typhoid fever; appendicitis; diphtheria; peritonitis; hydrocephalus; poisoning; brain fever; 1 each; other cases 6; total, 31.

During the month there were seven cases of contagious diseases reported to the city clerk. Leprosy, scarlet fever, small pox and measles made out the list. The fire department responded to 14 calls.

### New Card.

The classes in time on the P. D. & E. makes it possible for passengers that way to catch an Illinois Central train to Chicago at Mt. Pleasant. The train which during the week has been connecting with the Chicago train at Clinton does not go on Sunday. The new card on the People division however makes it possible for travelers to go to Chicago via the Central on Sunday.

The sudden stopping of the train caused a great deal of excitement among the passengers on board and there was clamoring outside as soon as they replaced their feet to learn what was the cause of the sudden stopping.

### KISTER-BARGER.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Barber, two miles west of Decatur, on Wednesday night, November 26, W. H. Kister and Miss Jessie May Barber were married in the presence of a small company of relatives. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Bernard of the Church of God. After the ceremony the company sat down to a supper. The couple will live with the bride's parents.

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